

REMARKS

Please reconsider the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Applicant thanks the Examiner for carefully considering this application.

I. Disposition of Claims

Claims 1-6 were pending in this application. By way of this reply, claim 1 has been amended and claims 7-11 have been added. Accordingly, claims 1-11 are pending in this application. Claim 1 is independent. The remaining claims depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 1. These amendments are fully supported by, for example, paragraphs 0029, 0033, 0036, and 0049 of the original specification and no new matter has been added.

II. Rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C § 103

Claims 1 and 3-11

Claims 1 and 3-6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 5,673,090 (“Higuchi et al.”) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,532,004 (“Harrison et al.”). Claim 1 has been amended in this reply to clarify the present invention. To the extent that this rejection may still apply to the amended claims, the rejection is respectfully traversed.

Independent claim 1, as amended, recites a structure of a television with a built-in DVD device. Specifically, claim 1 included the limitation “a filter substrate electrically connecting said DVD device and said television circuit substrate, wherein said filter substrate reduces a noise component flowing from said DVD device.”

The Examiner asserts that the filter substrate recited in claim 1 corresponds to the

printed circuit board for video 133 disclosed in Higuchi et al. Applicant respectfully disagrees and submits that Higuchi et al. does not disclose the filter substrate recited in claim 1. Rather, the printed circuit board for video 133 pointed out by the Examiner corresponds to the DVD device recited in claim 1. An element 17 disclosed in Higuchi et al., which the Examiner asserts that the DVD device corresponds to the video recorder or player 17, is an inserting hole for videotape not a circuit board. See col. 3, line 54, in Higuchi et al. Namely, the printed circuit board for video 133 performs the function of the video recorder or player and accordingly the element 17 merely shows an aperture to insert a videotape. Accordingly, the connector 15 merely connects the printed circuit board for video 133 and the printed circuit board for television, and is not a sort of filter substrate. Thus, neither the printed circuit board for video 133 nor the connector 15 disclosed in Higuchi et al. shows or suggests the filter substrate recited in claim 1.

Further, Harrison et al. does not teach what Higuchi et al. lacks. Specifically, Harrison et al. merely discloses a component system 20 including a DVD player. However, Harrison et al. does not disclose the filter substrate recited in claim 1.

In view of the above, Higuchi et al. and Harrison, whether considered separately or in combination, fail to show or suggest the present invention as recited in claim 1. Thus, claim 1 as amended is patentable over Higuchi et al. in view of Harrison et al. Dependent claims 3-6 are allowable for at least the same reasons. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Also, new claims 7-11, which depend from claim 1 as amended, have been added in this reply. As mentioned above, claim 1 as amended is patentable over Higuchi et al. in view of Harrison et al. Dependent claims 7-11 are also patentable for at least the same

reasons. Accordingly, entry and allowance of new claims 7-11 is respectfully requested.

Claim 2

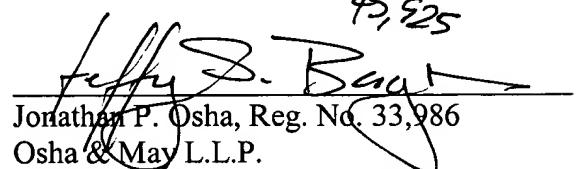
Claim 2 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Higuchi et al. in view of Harrison et al. and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,718,605 ("Morikawa et al."). Claim 2 depends from claim 1. As mentioned above, in view of the complete lack of disclosure of the filter substrate, Higuchi et al. and Harrison et al. do not anticipate or render obvious claim 1. Thus, claim 1 is patentable over Higuchi et al. and Harrison, whether considered separately or in combination. Dependent claim 2 is patentable for at least the same reasons. Moreover, Morikawa et al. similarly fails to show or suggest the claimed filter substrate. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

III. Conclusion

Applicant believes that this reply is fully responsive to all outstanding issues and places this application in condition for allowance. If this belief is incorrect, or other issues arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned or his associates at the telephone number listed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account 50-0591 (Reference Number 04995.027001).

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